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Dear Administrator / Provider / Superintendent:

This letter is a reminder that under the Governor's proclamations, including proclamation 20-25.8, visits from health care providers are not restricted. Facilities and homes must allow visits from health care providers, including, but not limited to the following health care services:

- Home health
- Hospice •
- Mental health •
- Behavioral health services •
- DME •
- Oxygen vendors
- **Emergency** responders

All health care providers must pass a health screening, and wear a mask and all other appropriate PPE to enter a facility or home.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact your local RCS Field Manager.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director

Residential Care Services

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